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SUBJECT: GATT WP ON FINLAND-GDR AGREEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 240370 (B) GENEVA 7241

1. FINNISH MISSION REPORTS THEY UNSUCCESSFUL IN CONVINCING
GDR EVEN TO ATTEND GATT WORKING PARTY IN JANUARY. FINLAND
MUST THEREFORE CARRY FULL BURDEN OF RESPONDING FOR GDR AND
URGENTLY REQUESTS THAT U.S. SUPPLY ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
WHICH WE PLAN TO RAISE AT JANUARY WP, AS WELL AS OUR VIEWS
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ON ADEQUACY OF REPLIES CONTAINED L/4334 OF 21 APRIL 1976.

2. AS FINNS PLAN TRAVEL BERLIN SHORTLY, THEY REQUEST ABOVE INFO FROM U.S. BEFORE DECEMBER 2.

3. WE SAID WE DOUBTED WP COULD COMPLETE ITS TASK IF ONE PARTY TO AGREEMENT WOULD NOT EVEN SHOW UP. WE RECALLED THAT SILENT PRESENCE OF BULGARIA IN RECENT FINLAND-BULGARIA WP, WHEREBY BULGARIANS WHISPERED SOME RESPONSES TO FINNS, HAD IN ITSELF PROVED UNWORKABLE. WE SAID A WP IS SUPPOSED TO BE AN EXPLORATION, OTHERWISE THERE WOULD BE NO NEED FOR WP TO MEET AT ALL. ANYONE COULD PROVIDE WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, BUT WORKING PARTY WAS INTENDED TO BE A THOROUGH EXAMINATION. WE PROMISED, HOWEVER, TO RELAY ABOVE URGENT REQUEST TO WASHINGTON AND ASSUMED, AS IN RECENT CASE ON FINLAND-BULGARIA, THAT WASHINGTON WOULD SUPPLY THOSE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AND EVALUATIONS OF REPLIES CONTAINED L/4334 THAT WERE POSSIBLE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IF FOR ANY REASON WASHINGTON ANTICIPATES DIFFICULTY IN RESPONDING BY DECEMBER 2, AS REQUESTED BY FINNS, WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ABLE TO INFORM FINNISH MISSION NOW.

5. COMMENT: WE NOTICE THAT OCTOBER 22 ISSUE OF "BUSINESS EASTERN EUROPE" SPEAKS OF RECENT GDR DECREE TO CENTRALIZE EVEN FURTHER CONTROL OF FOREIGN TRADE IN HANDS OF FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY. ASSUME ABOVE QUESTIONS TO BE SUPPLIED TO FINLAND AND/OR OUR INSTRUCTIONS FOR WP WILL INCLUDE EXPLORATION OF THIS DEVELOPMENT. CATTO

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